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MEMORANDUM FOR: DDI Planning Officer

ATTENTION: [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: Justification for Additional IAS Positions in FY 72

1. IAS plans to use all 8 of the additional positions proposed by the DDI for IAS in FY 72 for professional imagery analysts. These increases will better enable us to meet the growing workload we foresee for IAS in providing direct imagery analysis support to the intelligence production offices of the DDI and the DDS&T.

2. The projected growth in IAS workload is based in part on the greatly increased area and target coverage to be acquired by improved-resolution imagery beginning in FY 71. This increase in quality and quantity will have major impact on third-phase exploitation in FY 72 and after. By that time the IAS imagery analyst should no longer be restricted in his detailed reporting by the lack of usable imagery such as is often the case today. By about the beginning of FY 72, [REDACTED]

3. The 15 additional positions previously allocated to IAS for FY 71 will continue to be needed for the purpose for which they were allocated--i.e., for processing and assimilation of incoming imagery into our analysts' minds and files. We have thus far discovered no technique which promises any substantial savings with respect to this requirement. (In fact, the DDI's proposed allocation for FY 72 falls short of the IAS estimate of these costs.) So, additional IAS resources will be required in FY 72 if we are to respond to the increasingly sophisticated questions we find we are asked as a result of our improved knowledge, the requester's need for more refined inputs, and the greater intelligence content of the film.

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4. The 8 additional positions requested should better enable us to respond to the needs of the DDI and DDS&T production offices for in-depth imagery analysis support. The aim of this support, as at present, will be to supplement and go beyond the services available through the community's basic imagery exploitation program. We do not propose to use these additional resources to expand our present level of support to DDP, and we expect to hold to a minimum our COMIREX-sponsored basic reporting on non-military industries.

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